

PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 07553.0017

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) \
Mitsuru ISHIKAWA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1763
Application No.: 09/696,232) Examiner: A. Olsen
Filed: October 26, 2000))
For: ETCHING METHOD) Confirmation No.: 5127
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 26, 2005, the period for response to which extends through August 26, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.